

LETCHER COUNTY

KENTUCKY POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION PROFILE 2008-10



| General Population Data | | | | |
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| • | County | Ку | US | |
| Total population | 25,277 | 4,041,769 | 281,421,906 | |
| Median household income | \$21,110 | \$33,672 | \$41,994 | |
| Per capita income | \$11,984 | \$18,093 | \$21,587 | |
| Living in poverty | 27.1 % | 15.8 % | 12.4 % | |
| Eligible for Medicaid | 29.7 % | 17.6 % | na | |
| Without medical insurance | 15.8 % | 13.3 % | 14.2 % | |
| Registered voters who voted in 2004 general election | 51.5 % | 64.7 % | 70.9 % | |
| Unemployment rate | 7.6 % | 5.7 % | 4.6 % | |
| Use the Internet at home | 45.1 % | 64.0 % | na | |

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| Less than a high school diploma or equivalent | 41.5 % | 25.9 % | 19.6 % |
| High school diploma or equivalent | 32.9 % | 33.6 % | 28.6 % |
| Some college but no degree | 13.3 % | 18.5 % | 21.0 % |
| Associate's degree | 4.6 % | 4.9 % | 6.3 % |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 7.7 % | 17.1 % | 24.4 % |

Educational Pipeline

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| High school graduates in 2006 | 204 |
| In-state college-going rate for 2006 high school graduates | 50.2 % |
| Kentucky Adult Education enrollments in 2006-07 | 377 |
| GEDs awarded in 2006-07 | 39 |
| Students entering postsecondary education in summer or fall 2006 | 265 |
| Students earning an associate's degree in 2006-07 | 97 |
| Students earning a bachelor's degree in 2006-07 | 61 |
| Students earning a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics in 2006-07 | 22 |
| Students earning a graduate or professional degree in 2006-07 | 36 |
| Students enrolled in distance learning college courses in fall 2006 | 306 |
| Students enrolled in Kentucky Virtual Campus courses in fall 2006 | 137 |
| Bachelor's degree six-year graduation rate for 2006 | 50.0 % |
| Number of additional bachelor's degree holders needed in this county to match the national average | 2,834 |
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College Readiness

| | County | Ку |
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| Average ACT score | 19.2 | 20.6 |
| % entering college with developmental needs in one or more subjects | 74.3 % | 45.9 % |
| % entering college with developmental needs in mathematics | 67.1 % | 35.4 % |
| % entering college with developmental needs in English | 50.7 % | 28.6 % |

Employment by Sector

| | County | Ку |
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| Agriculture, mining, & other natural resources | 1,382 | 28,251 |
| Manufacturing & construction | 307 | 346,324 |
| Retail, wholesale, transportation, & utilities | 1,191 | 373,216 |
| Finance, professional, & business services | 689 | 258,647 |
| Health & educational services | 1,129 | 215,834 |
| Government & public education | 1,281 | 293,968 |
| Leisure, hospitality, & other services | 449 | 209,629 |

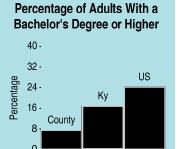
Undergraduates & Alumni

| | Enrollment | Alumni |
|-------------------------------------|------------|--------|
| University of Kentucky | 43 | 1,244 |
| University of Louisville | 0 | 21 |
| Eastern Kentucky University | 62 | 484 |
| Kentucky State University | 1 | 0 |
| Morehead State University | 56 | 573 |
| Murray State University | 1 | 3 |
| Northern Kentucky University | 1 | 4 |
| Western Kentucky University | 2 | 5 |
| KCTCS | 834 | 1,892 |
| Independent colleges & universities | 143 | 899 |
| Total from this county | 1,143 | 5,125 |
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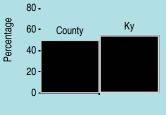
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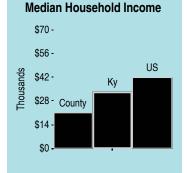
| | Dollars | Awards |
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| Federal Pell awards | \$1,748,984 | 646 |
| Federal loans | \$1,856,320 | 344 |
| Kentucky Ed. Excellence Scholarships (KEES) | \$461,837 | 390 |
| Kentucky need-based grants | \$681,414 | 304 |

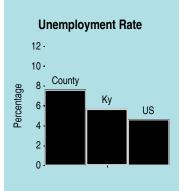
KEY FACTS











Sources: US Census 2000, US Department of Education, Kentucky Department of Education, Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, ACT, Inc, Kentucky State Board of Elections, Dave Leip's Atlas of U.S. Presidential Elections, US Census Small Area Health Insurance Estimates Program, Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services, ConnectKentucky, Kentucky Adult Education, and the Council on Postsecondary Education. Complete descriptions of sources and methodologies may be found in the technical notes at the end of the 2008-10 County Profiles or through the Kentucky Postsecondary Education Data Portal at the Web address below.



